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EASLEY APPOINTS DR. GRIFFIN TO FAYETTEVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Raleigh - Gov. Mike Easley has appointed Dr. John R. Griffin Jr. of Fayetteville to the Fayetteville Technical Community College board of trustees.

Griffin retired in 1997 as superintendent of schools for Cumberland County. From 2001 to 2003, he was special assistant to the chancellor and director of Character Development Institute at Fayetteville State University. He is a former board member of the Cumberland Community Foundation and currently serves as a board member of Fayetteville Technical Community College Foundation. Griffin received his bachelor's degree from N.C. Agricultural and Technical State University, his master's in education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his doctorate in education from South Carolina State University.

Duties of the community college board of trustees are: to elect a president to the institution; to employ other personnel to the community college; to purchase land that is necessary for the operation; to apply standards for student admission and graduation; to receive and accept donations given to the community college; and to provide instructional services for the institution. The board consists of 12 members who serve four-year terms. The governor appoints five members.